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30 YEARS OF COMMUNITY SPIRIT

2007

The

GROVE GAZETTE

Municipal Newsletter for the Residents of Lemon Grove, California

Spring 2007

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CITY COUNCIL ADOPTS COMPREHENSIVE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Every budget cycle, cities are tempted to only address immediate needs and postpone investment in long-term infrastructure upgrades. However, that short-sighted view results in costly repairs in the future. As such, it is important for cities to assess, address, and pay for infrastructure upgrades every year.

Examples around the country remind us of the importance of continually investing in our infrastructure. Right now, the Washington D.C. Water and Sewer Authority is facing \$1.6 billion in improvements to clean up seriously contaminated water after 40 years of neglect. Closer to home, California spent less than 1 percent of its budget on repairing its infrastructure for the last decade. Fortunately, California voters passed four infrastructure bond measures to repair and preserve our state infrastructure.

Lemon Grove's Infrastructure Improvement Plan

To protect Lemon Grove's infrastructure, the City Council adopted a five-year Capital Improvement Program (CIP) on February 6, 2007. The CIP is broken into five major sections—Traffic, Sewer, Storm Drains, Streets, and Facilities (pending approval).

Over the next five years, the CIP calls for almost \$10 million in infrastructure repairs, upgrades, and expansions. These improvements will be funded with grants, Sanitation District capital funds, redevelopment agency funds, street funds from the State, local sources, development impact fees, and assessment districts.

Recently completed projects include the repaving of New Jersey and Buena Vista Avenues, in addition to repaving 4.4 miles of other streets throughout the City. A major storm drain project near Glencoe Drive and Canton Drive was also completed.

INFRASTRUCTURE:
The underlying foundation of basic municipal systems such as streets, sewers, storm drains, water and power lines, parks, public buildings.

Several key projects planned for the next five years include:

- Restoring the failing slope along Federal Boulevard
- Upgrading the Federal Boulevard sewer main and repaving the street
- Upgrading the Lemon Grove Avenue sewer main; and repaving the street
- Installing curb ramps at every existing curbed intersection
- Continuing an aggressive street rehabilitation program
- Renovating the City's Recreation Center
- Continuing park improvements
- On-going rehabilitation of the sewer system and storm drain system

To help accomplish all of this work, and minimize costs, the City recently purchased several pieces of equipment: a 12-yard dump truck, a paving machine, a tractor, a sewer video truck, and a sewer-cleaning vehicle.

Visit City Hall or
the City's website at
www.ci.lemon-grove.ca.us/CIP
to view the CIP report and to
learn about upcoming projects.



We've got a new name!

We've changed the name of the City newsletter to more accurately reflect what it is—**gazette—a newspaper, especially the official paper of an organization...**



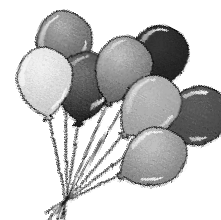
Community News

LEMON GROVE CELEBRATES ITS 30TH ANNIVERSARY!

Remember when a first class stamp was 13 cents, Jimmy Carter was sworn in as the 39th President, Stars Wars opened in theaters, Elvis Presley died, and Rocky won an Oscar for best picture? What year was this? It was 1977.

That year something else important happened too: The community referred to as Lemon Grove incorporated as a city. In 2007, the City of Lemon Grove reaches a major milestone—it will turn 30 years old. Much has changed since 1977; and at the same time, many things have stayed the same — the best part is that Lemon Grove continues to keep its “small town” feel.

Throughout the year, community organizations and the City will be celebrating the City's anniversary. A master calendar of events may be found at www.ci.lemon-grove.ca.us/30th.



Upcoming events that you do not want to miss:

- ♦ **April 28 - 29 – Lemon Grove's Clean-Up Days.** This year, those who make the annual pilgrimage to the EDCO transfer station in La Mesa to get rid of bulky items will be automatically entered into a drawing to win a 42-inch flat-screen TV (Thanks to Lemon Grove's EDCO and Courtesy TV).
- ♦ **April 28 – Child Safety Fair from 9 a.m. to Noon at Lemon Grove Middle School, hosted by the Lemon Grove Rotary Club.**
- ♦ **May 18 – Lemon Grove Days/Firefighter's Spaghetti Dinner.** Starting at 5:00 p.m., have dinner at the Fire Station (only \$5) and then enjoy the FREE fireworks show at 9:00 p.m.
- ♦ **May 19 –Lemon Grove Kiwanis Club Pancake Breakfast; then walk for the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life® at Lemon Grove Middle School.**
- ♦ **July 5 – Concerts in the Park, beginning at 6:30 p.m., will feature free hotdogs and cake.**
- ♦ **August 2 – 30th Anniversary party at Civic Center Park, a not to miss event! Tickets for the event will be \$30 and sponsorship opportunities are available.**
- ♦ **September 20 – Charity Golf Tournament benefiting Camp Hope, hosted by the Sunrise Kiwanis Club of Lemon Grove.**
- ♦ **October 13 – Lemon Grove Fire Station Open House (and pancakes will be served).**
- ♦ **December 7 - 8 –Sheriff's Department Annual Pancake Breakfast.**
- ♦ **December 7 – Community Bonfire begins at 6:30 p.m. at Civic Center Park.**
- ♦ **December 13 – A 30th Anniversary Time Capsule will be buried at City Hall.**

More information about these events, plus many more is available by calling (619) 825-3800 or visiting the city's website at www.ci.lemon-grove.ca.us/30th.

FIRE DEPARTMENT TAKES OVER WEED ABATEMENT SERVICE



After two years of contracting with a private firm for inspection of weed abatement complaints and enforcement, the Fire Department has resumed this service for the residents of Lemon Grove. Complaints or concerns regarding dead weeds, plants or trees can now be directed to the Fire Department at (619) 825-3835.

Weeds and dead plants and trees can lead to a safety hazard and can interfere with the Fire Department assessing an emergency. General guidelines include removing all dead vegetation from your property, especially if it comes in contact with fences and buildings, and trimming trees six feet off of the ground and 13 feet 6 inches above roadways.

If you have a complaint about a property that appears to be a hazard, or if you have questions about the weed abatement program, please feel free to contact the Fire department at (619) 825-3835 or stop by our offices at 7853 Central Avenue.

Community News

CRIME FREE MULTI-HOUSING

The Lemon Grove Sheriff's Station will soon unveil its "Crime Free Multi-Housing Program" (CFMH) in the City. This internationally acclaimed crime prevention program is designed to rid rental properties of crime, drugs, and gangs, thereby improving the quality of life in apartment complexes.

CFMH relies on partnerships between law enforcement agencies, rental property owners, managers and tenants that work to reduce crime and build stable and positive communities.

Three key elements help CFMH coalitions meet their goal:

Enhanced physical security—applying proven strategies in crime prevention and environmental design.

Tenant involvement—tenants become the "eyes and ears" of law enforcement in their own community.

Management training—property managers and owners receive training by experts in recognizing and avoiding problems before they occur.

Watch for this exciting program this Spring! For more information, please contact Debbie Ramos, Crime Prevention Specialist at the Lemon Grove Sheriff's Station at 619-337-2047.

511: TRAFFIC, TRAVEL, & TRANSIT INFORMATION



The new 5-1-1 phone number is all you need to get Traffic, Transit and Travel information. You can get freeway driving times, bus route information, roadside assistance, and much more.

The 511 service will put a wealth of **free**, travel-related information at the public's fingertips — 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Customers will be able to conveniently connect to the RideLink and transit customer service centers, and as the 511 system develops, tap into up-to-the-minute toll information for the I-15 Managed Lanes facility. You can access the service on the telephone by dialing 511 or on the web at www.511sd.com.

Whether it is accessed by telephone or the web (www.511sd.com), 511 will consolidate valuable transportation information into a one-stop, free public resource. San Diego joins other areas throughout the country that are offering this cutting-edge information service. The 511 Deployment Coalition has a goal of making 511 a seamless, national service by 2010.

E-mail comments or suggestions to 511@sandag.org.

Information courtesy of SANDAG and the San Diego Transportation Partners.

Through 511, you'll be able to get::

- Traffic information (congestion delays and driving times);
- Transit route and fare information;
- Carpool and vanpool information;
- Bicycle and commuting information; and
- Roadside assistance (if your car breaks down on the freeway, 511 connects you to a roadside assistance call center).



Community Events

LEMON GROVE SPRING CLEAN UP—APRIL 28 & 29, 2007



SATURDAY & SUNDAY

APRIL 28 & 29

7:00 am – 2:00 pm (multiple trips OK)

EDCO Station

8184 Commercial Street

La Mesa, CA

DIRECTIONS

1. Go north on Lemon Grove Ave.
2. Turn right (east) onto Broadway.
3. Turn left onto Spring St.
4. Turn right onto Center St.
5. Turn left onto Commercial St. at the stop sign.
6. Turn right into the EDCO Station entrance.

**8184 Commercial St.
La Mesa**

ACCEPTED ITEMS

Construction & demolition debris
Furniture
Green waste (tree trimmings etc.)
Large appliances (washers, dryers, stoves, refrigerators, water heaters, etc.)
Metals (steel, aluminum, copper, etc.)

UNACCEPTED ITEMS

Tires
Batteries
Electronic equipment (cell phones, computers, monitors, printers, televisions)
HHW-Household Hazardous Waste (chemicals, paint, solvents, gasoline, motor oil etc.)

For more information, call EDCO at 287-7555.

For FREE pick-up of residential HHW, call 1-800-449-7587 to schedule appointment. (See article on Page 11.)

SENIOR AND DISABLED RESIDENTS ONLY

Call 825-3815 to schedule a curbside collection. The deadline to call is April 19, 5:00 p.m. Collections will be performed on April 25 or 26.

BIKE TO WORK DAY—May 18, 2007

May 18 is Bike to Work Day in San Diego. This yearly event is sponsored by the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) RideLink program to encourage commuters to bike to work rather than drive alone. You can benefit from the reduced stress that bicycling offers and we all benefit from the reduced congestion on our roadways.

The San Diego Regional Bike to Work Day has been recognized as one of the most successful Bike to Work Day events in the country and has drawn national attention.

The event will have pit stops in Lemon Grove at both trolley stations—Broadway and Massachusetts. Pit stops will open from 6:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and will have water, snacks and other goodies for all registered riders.

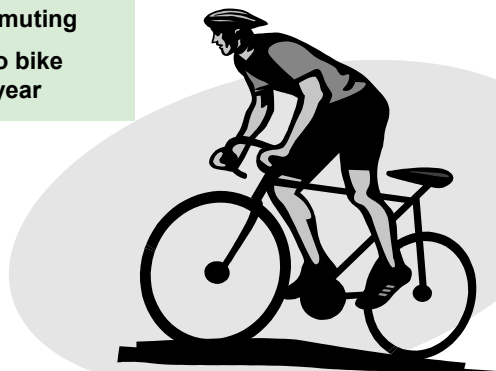
Registered riders can ride the trolley with their bikes for free that day by showing their ride registration form. There is an area in the back of each trolley car where riders can stand with their bikes. For more information, to register, or to see

how your business or organization can participate, please contact K.C. Butler at 858-679-1027 or kcbutler@bikelink.com or Ridelink at 1-800-COMMUTE (266-6883) and after selecting language, choose option 3. You can also go to the website at www.ridelink.org and

download a registration form. Registration is free. You will receive a ride packet, t-shirt and discount coupons when you register. Bike route maps are available by calling 1-800-COMMUTE (266-6883).

Bike to Work Day Mission:

- ◆ **Promote cycling as a viable form of transportation to the workplace**
- ◆ **Promote safe bicycle commuting**
- ◆ **Recognize individuals who bike commute throughout the year**



Community Events

LEMON GROVE DAYS & FIREFIGHTERS SPAGHETTI DINNER—MAY 18, 2007

SPAGHETTI DINNER

Lemon Grove Fire Department
7853 Central Avenue
5:00—8:00 PM



MENU:

Spaghetti (meat or marinara)
Salad
Garlic Bread
Adults \$5.00
Children (under 12) \$3.00
(Beverages extra)

- Meet the firefighters!
- Tour the fire station!

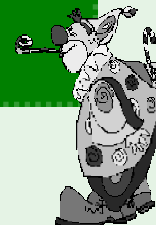
All
Proceeds
benefit
Local
charities

LEMON GROVE DAYS

5:00—9:00 PM

AN EVENING OF FAMILY FUN & FIREWORKS!

Central Avenue & School Lane



- FREE Kids Zone with Games & Rides
- Live Entertainment by the Cat-illacs 6-9PM
- FIREWORKS at 9PM

For more information call
Recreation Services (619) 825-3815

KIWANIS PANCAKE BREAKFAST



LEMON GROVE
KIWANIS

COMMUNITY PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Saturday, May 19, 2007

7:00—11:00 AM

Lemon Grove Middle School Auditorium

Adults \$5.00
Children 4-12 \$3.00
3 & UNDER FREE
MILITARY
IN UNIFORM FREE

RELAY FOR LIFE® MAY 19-20, 2007



On May 19 & 20, 2007 the American Cancer Society's 2nd Annual **RELAY FOR LIFE® OF LEMON GROVE** will be held at Lemon Grove Middle School. This event will bring together people in our community to raise awareness and funds to help fight

Join RELAY FOR LIFE® OF LEMON GROVE

- ♦ Form a team with your friends, family, co-workers and neighbors
- ♦ Serve on the volunteer planning committee
- ♦ Become a day of event volunteer

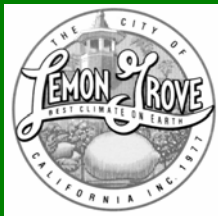
Visit our official Relay Website to register your team, join an existing team or begin collecting donations online: www.acsevents.org/relay/ca/lemongrove

For more information contact Tasheia Watkins, Event Chair at LemonGroveRelay@gmail.com, or Brad Pagano at the American Cancer Society at (619) 682-7449 or Bradley.Pagano@cancer.org.

RELAY KICK-OFF MEETING— LUNCH SERVED

Saturday, March 24, 2007, 12:00 Noon
Lemon Grove Community Center
3146 School Lane

Volunteers Needed, Please join our cause!



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Recreation

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April 2007—July 2007

Recreation Services Department

3225 Olive Street

(619) 825-3815 Fax: (619) 825-3817

www.ci.lemon-grove.ca.us/RecDept

Recreation Center

3131 School Lane

(619) 825-3828

Site phone is attended during program hours only.



FACILITY RENTALS: The City offers three facilities specifically designed for receptions, meetings, seminars, and other special events. Facilities can accommodate large and small groups and reservations may be made up to one year in advance. Tours of the facilities are available by appointment only. For information please call Recreation Services at (619) 825-3815. www.ci.lemon-grove.ca.us/Rentals

Senior Center

8235 Mt. Vernon Street

This beautiful facility features large French doors opening onto a spacious patio surrounded by grassy areas and walkways creating its own private park-like setting. The large fully equipped kitchen is designed to handle all your catering needs. The Senior Center adjoins Lemon Grove Park and is the perfect location for an outdoor wedding followed by an indoor reception. The facility seats up to 200 for banquet style events, and up to 300 for theater style events.

Community Center

3146 School Lane

The Lemon Grove Community Center is conveniently located in the heart of Lemon Grove. The Community Center features a full kitchen and all the amenities for smaller meetings, conferences, and private parties. The Community Center seats up to 75 for banquet style events, and up to 100 for theater style events.

H. Lee House Courtyard

3225 Olive Street

This intimate outdoor courtyard sits next to the historical H. Lee House. It features a beautiful gazebo for ceremonies or entertainment surrounded by inlaid brickwork and grass. The H. Lee House Courtyard is the perfect setting for an outdoor wedding, anniversary party, and many other special occasion events. The capacity is approximately 100.

Parks

Lemon Grove Park, 2259 Washington St.

Six acres – playground, gazebo, picnic areas and tables, restrooms, basketball court, and walking path.

Berry Street Park, 7071 Mt. Vernon St.

Six acres – playground, gazebos, picnic areas and tables, restrooms, and walking path.

Dan Kunkel Park, 8105 Lemon Grove Way

One acre, neighborhood park with playground, picnic area and tables, basketball court, and walking path.

You may also rent the gazebos at Lemon Grove Park and Berry Street Park. For more information, contact the Recreation Services Department at (619) 825-3815 or see the City's website at www.ci.lemon-grove.ca.us/parks.

Park Hours: Parks are open daily as follows:

6:00 am—9:00 pm April - October

7:00 am—7:00 pm November - March



YOUTH ACTIVITIES/ADULT SPORTS

Youth Classes and After School Drop-In Registration: Register at the Recreation Services Department, 3225 Olive Street, Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. (Closed every other Friday) or download a packet online—www.ci.lemon-grove.ca.us/youth.



Spring Day Camp 2007

1st – 8th grade

Recreation Center, 3131 School Lane

Dates: April 2-13, 2007 (2 weeks)

Hours: 6:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Weekly Cost:

\$105 L G School District Residents

\$115 Non-School District Residents

Summer Day Camp 2007

1st – 8th grade

Recreation Center, 3131 School Lane

INCLUDES WEEKLY FIELD TRIPS

Dates: June 18—August 17, 2007 (9 weeks)

Hours: 6:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Fees: \$105 L G School District Residents

\$115 Non-School District Residents

All children must be registered and signed in and out daily by a parent/guardian. Participants must bring their own lunches and snacks daily. Some of the camp activities are arts & crafts, gym activities, and sports. Our game room has air hockey, foosball and billiards.

Pee Wee Sports for Boys and Girls

Ages 3-5 and 6-7 (Four sessions, 5 weeks each)

Recreation Center, 3131 School Lane

Fridays, 5:45p.m. - 6:45 p.m.

Mar 16-Apr 27 Baseball

May 4-Jun 8 Pillow Polo

Sept 7-Oct 5 Football

Oct 19-Nov 16 Basketball

1st session: \$25.00

Additional sessions: \$20.00

All four sessions: \$80.00



FREE After School Drop-In

SEPTEMBER - JUNE

Games, arts and crafts, sports, special events and loads of fun await all 2nd - 8th graders, Monday - Friday, 2:00 - 5:30 p.m. at the Lemon Grove Recreation Center, 3131 School Lane. Recreation leaders provide guidance and supervision, ensuring that all children get a chance to participate. At this program – a child is free to come and go as he/she wishes. Children must follow Recreation Center rules and regulations.

ADULT SPORTS

Adult Sports: Register at the Recreation Services Department, 3225 Olive Street Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. (Closed every other Friday)

Softball Leagues

Come join the fun and play softball with friends and family. Adults of all ages and skill levels are invited to participate in our year-round leagues. Leagues are offered on the following nights:

Womens'	Monday
Mens'	Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
Co-Ed	Wednesday and Sunday



FEES:

\$350 Resident teams
\$400 Non-resident teams
\$ 56 Forfeit deposit
\$ 14 Per game umpire fee

Volleyball Leagues

Year-round leagues are offered at the Recreation Center at 3131 School Lane for adults of all ages and skill levels. Leagues are offered on the following nights:

Co-ed Open	Tuesday (Advanced players)
Womens' Open	Wednesday
Co-ed "B"	Thursday (Beginning/intermediate)

FEES:

\$ 175 Resident teams
\$ 200 Non-resident teams
\$ 40 Forfeit deposit
\$ 8 Per game referee fee



Open play volleyball on T, W, & Th from 6:30-9:00 p.m. when there is no league play.

Youth Sports Leagues



AYSO Soccer	479-1300
Lemon Grove Little League	463-5997
L.G./S.V. Bobby Sox	461-0810
Los Toros Bulls Football/Cheer	819-0205

NEW CLASSES!

REGISTRATION: Register at the Recreation Services Department, 3225 Olive Street, Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. (Closed every other Friday).

Spring Session: Apr 16 – Jun 9, 2007 / **Summer Session:** Jun 18 – Aug 4, 2007

All classes are scheduled for 8-week sessions and require minimum student registration.

Art, Science and Fun Foods

Classes are designed for children ages 6-14. Each class is \$30.00 per 8 week session. All classes are held at the Community Center at 3146 School Lane and must have a minimum registration of 8 children.



Art

Children will have fun making creative art projects. Creativity will be emphasized in the class. Projects include: murals, paper Mache, mask making, painting on canvas and sketching. Children will explore their talents and have lots of fun!!

Days/Time: Wednesdays, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Instructor: Rozella Zink

Science

This class is designed to expose children to a variety of fun science activities and experiments. They'll have fun with gooey mixtures, solutions, magnets and experiments.

Days/Time: Wednesdays, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Instructor: Rozella Zink



Fun Foods

Children will learn a variety of simple and safe methods of food preparation. Participants will prepare snacks and entire meals with an emphasis on health and nutrition using age appropriate utensils. Healthy variations of pizza, tacos, spaghetti, stir fry and a variety of salads are just a few of the dishes that children will learn to prepare.

Days/Time: Thursdays, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Instructor: Rozella Zink

Spirit Cheer

Practices will focus on cheerleading and performance techniques. Participants will be cheering at half time for Recreation Youth Sports games and may have opportunities to cheer at City Special Events. Participants need to provide their own black shorts. More information will be given at class. This class requires a minimum registration of 10.



Cost: \$45.00 (Includes Cheer T-Shirt)
Location: Recreation Center, 3131 School Lane
Days/Time: Monday & Friday
Time: 4th-5th grade—3:00 – 4:00 p.m.
 6th-8th grade—4:00—5:00 p.m.
Instructor: Jasmine Gonzales

ADULTS—Beginning Tai Chi

Often called “moving meditation”, Tai Chi has become extremely popular for older adults. A growing body of research suggests that practicing Tai Chi has many benefits for seniors, including a reduced risk of falling and a significant improvement in quality of life.

The practice of Tai Chi will strengthen the arms and legs, improve balance and flexibility, and reduce stress. Requires a minimum registration of 8.

Cost: \$80.00 (Eight weeks/2 classes/week)
Location: Senior Center, 8235 Mt. Vernon Street
Days/Time: Wednesday & Friday
Time: 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.
Instructor: Ben Rainer

Youth Activities Philosophy Statement: *Safety, sportsmanship, teamwork and fun are the goals of all Youth Activities. Our staff instills these goals in all participants. We ask all parents to encourage and support their children with these goals in mind.*

Potpourri

CONCERTS IN THE PARK



Thursdays
6:30 – 8:00 pm
Berry Street Park
7071 Mt. Vernon
 (one block west of
 Massachusetts)

Let Us Entertain You—FREE!

Join us each Thursday evening for a **FREE** concert at Berry Street Park. Bring your own picnic supper or purchase food from the concert concessionaire, and don't forget your blankets and lawn chairs! For safety reasons, no pets allowed.

July 5 To Be Announced
 July 12 Cat-illacs
 July 19 Nitro Express
 July 26 The Vision Band
 August 2 Off Beats
 August 9 Bayou Brothers

"SPAY DAY USA"



Students at Golden Avenue Elementary participated in a big way in SPAY DAY USA this year, leading to the spaying and neutering of a total of 27 cats, 26 dogs and 1 bunny on March 3rd & 4th at a pet fixing clinic at Civic Center Park!

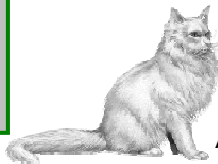


Sponsored by SNAP (Spay Neuter Action Project), this school year students have been learning about pet care and the importance of spaying and neutering our pets. On February 27th after a "Spay Your Pet" school assembly on pet care, students toured the mobile spay/neuter unit—the Neuter Scooter. Then students urged friends, family and neighbors to join them in being responsible pet caretakers at a "SPAY DAY USA" pet fixing clinic. At the Neuter Scooter, pets received spay or neuter surgery, Advantage flea control, nail trim and ID tags. Dogs also received a rabies vaccine, license, collar and leash. ALL for FREE! To learn more about SNAP (Spay Neuter Action Project) and how to sponsor "a fix" for a Lemon Grove dog, cat or rabbit—helping to end pet overpopulation, call 1-866-SPAY BUS (1-866-772-9287) or visit



www.snap-sandiego.org.

Also visit the City's website at www.ci.lemon-grove.ca.us/petfix for "More Reasons to Spay or Neuter Your Pets" From SNAP (Spay Neuter Action Project).



LEMON GROVE SENIOR CENTER—Services, Activities, Classes

Volunteer
 Opportunities Available

8235 Mt. Vernon Street, (619) 337-1425

Monday - Friday 8:00 AM—3:30 PM

Senior Lunch Program

Hot, nutritious noon time meals



Suggested donation \$3.00 age 60 and over

Call 619-337-1425 for a reservation

Services

Free Legal Services
 Free Tax Preparation
 Health Education
 Blood Pressure Checks
 Information and referral
 AARP Defensive Driving Classes
 Home Delivered Meals

Senior Activities

Choral Workshop
 Craft Workshop
 Movies & Entertainment
 Day & Evening Trips
 Holiday Celebrations
 Prize Bingo
 Ma-Jongg/Pinochle/Billiards

Exercise Classes

Aerobic Conditioning Class
 Feeling Fit Club
 Hatha Yoga Class

Environmental News

FACTS AND FIGURES—THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW...

During the next 24 hours:

- ◆ 2.8 billion gallons of industrial waste will be discharged into the world's oceans.
- ◆ 329 million gallons of untreated sewage will be discharged off our nation's coasts.
- ◆ 79 thousand gallons of petroleum will find its way into our country's waterways.
- ◆ 37 beaches throughout the United States will be closed or posted as "hazardous".



What **YOU** can do:

- ◆ Plant don't pave – landscaping provides water treatment and creates oxygen.
- ◆ Scoop the poop – pick up after your pets.
- ◆ Fix your car leaks – more oil enters the beach from urban runoff than from tanker spills.
- ◆ Use non-toxic products – vinegar and baking soda are great cleaning agents.
- ◆ Be aware of storm drains – stormwater water is NOT treated.
- ◆ Keep your butts – use an ashtray, cigarette butts are the NUMBER ONE pollutant on beaches.
- ◆ Turn your faucets off – dripping faucets waste gallons of drinking water.
- ◆ Pull your own weeds – use less pesticide and herbicide for a family-friendly lawn and garden.
- ◆ People cause pollution, people can stop it – next time you see some trash, pick it up.

Information courtesy of www.surfridersd.org. The Surfrider Foundation is a non-profit environmental organization dedicated to the protection and enjoyment of the world's oceans, waves and beaches for all people, through conservation, activism, research and education. San Diego Chapter 858-792-9940.

Saturday, April 28, 2007—Creek to Bay Clean-up

9am to Noon — Volunteers Needed!!



The 5th annual "I Love A Clean San Diego" Creek to Bay Clean-up will include over 50 sites countywide. Visit www.creetobay.org for more information and to register for the event. Call 1-800-237-BLUE for more information and watch for updates on The "I Love A Clean San Diego" website at www.ilacsd.org.

The mission of the Creek to Bay Cleanup is to engage community members in removing debris from San Diego's beaches, waterways, canyons, and parks. Half of the cleanup sites are coastal and half are inland, emphasizing the fact that almost 80% of marine debris originates inland. All of these areas are an integral part of San Diego's eleven watersheds, and every piece of litter is a potential piece of marine debris. Inland volunteers help to illustrate one of the event's key messages: We are connected to the coast and oceans by our rivers, streams, and storm drains. The solution to ocean pollution is litter prevention and protection of all areas throughout the watershed.

Last years results were staggering, as over 4,000 volunteers participated at over 50 sites countywide! Cleanup sites stretched from Mexico to Oceanside and from Mission Bay to Ramona. A total of 1,710 pounds of debris were removed from the Lemon Grove section of Chollas Creek alone, including a bowling ball and a telephone booth!

The City of Lemon Grove will have a local clean-up site and all volunteers are welcome. Help save Chollas Creek and San Diego Bay!

Please call the Stormwater Hotline for more information at (619) 825-3810.



Environmental News

Do you know what to do with
Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)??

Call 1-800-HHW-PKUP (1-800-449-7587)
for Lemon Grove's **FREE** home pick-up service.



ALL of these items qualify...
NEVER put them in the trash!!

It's easy to dispose of HHW safely...

1. Call the HHW Hotline 1-800-HHW-PKUP (1-800-449-7587) and request a collection.

You will be asked your name, address and the type and amount of material you have for collection. The Hotline is available Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. After hours, you may leave a message.

2. A collection date is scheduled and a HHW kit is shipped.

A pickup date is scheduled over the phone and the program is fully explained at that time. A HHW kit with complete instructions will be sent to your home before the collection date. The kit holds up to 75 pounds.

3. The HHW material is collected.

On the scheduled date, the Curbside truck arrives (no need to be at home) to collect the kit. Please remember to fill-out and mail the survey card back to City Hall to help us evaluate the program.

HOUSEHOLD

All Purpose Cleaners
Ammonia, Disinfectants
Drain Cleaners
Polishes
Household Batteries

YARD AND GARDEN

Lighter Fluid
Pesticides
Paints, Stains, Thinners
Pool Chemicals
Fertilizers

GARAGE

Motor Oil and Filters
Car Batteries, Gear Oil
Transmission Fluid
Antifreeze, Gasoline
Glues, Adhesives

USED OIL RECYCLING...Attention Do-It-Yourselfers!!

Please do the right thing after changing your car's oil and filter and recycle the used oil and oil filters. Lemon Grove has three oil recycling centers for your convenience, and EDCO now takes oil filters too!

Did you know...?

- ◆ Oil doesn't wear out...it just gets dirty. Re-refining takes dirty oil and turns it back into fresh, "good-as-new" oil that can be used in cars and trucks. Check with your local retailer or quick lube for availability.
- ◆ It only takes one gallon of used oil to make 2.5 quarts of re-refined oil, but it takes 42 gallons of crude oil to make 2.5 quarts of virgin oil!
- ◆ Buying re-refined oil reduces our dependence on imported oil, protects natural resources, and helps create jobs.
- ◆ California do-it-yourselfers throw out over 20 million gallons of used motor oil every year.



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Used Oil Recycling Centers

AutoZone 7582 Broadway (619) 697-7711 oil only, NO filters	EDCO Disposal Corp. 6670 Federal Blvd. (619) 287-7555 oil AND filters	Kragen Auto Parts 6925 Federal Blvd. (619) 697-2467 oil AND filters
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Please call for hours of operation and quantities accepted.

MEETINGS

CITY COUNCIL

1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month, 6:00 p.m. at the Community Center, 3146 School Lane.

PLANNING COMMISSION

2nd and 4th Monday of each month, 6:30 p.m. at the Community Center, 3146 School Lane.

TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

3rd Monday every other month, 6:00 p.m. at the Fire Department, 7853 Central Avenue. For meeting dates, please call (619) 825-3810.

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- ◆ [Youth Recreation Registration Packet](#)
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- ◆ [Why Spay or Neuter Your Pets?](#)

AT A GLANCE... Telephone Numbers

Fire Department	825-3835
(non-emergency)	
Sheriff Department.....	337-2000
(non-emergency)	
Animal Control	691-5123
Chamber of Commerce.....	469-9614
Swimming Pool Info	698-2502
Historical Society.....	460-4353
Library	463-9819
School District	825-5600
Senior Center	337-1425

CITY HALL

Mayor & City Council.....	825-3800
City Manager, Finance	825-3800
Planning/Building	825-3805
Public Works/Engineering	825-3810
Recreation Services	825-3815

HOTLINES

Jobline.....	825-3813
Code Enforcement	825-3807
Graffiti	825-3813
Storm Drain	
Spills/Dumping	825-3810



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